

SUNDAYS AT FIRST OZARK UMC

**In-person Sunday morning
services**

10:00 a.m. - Sanctuary (Traditional/
Contemporary)

Facebook & YouTube Live
104.9 FM @12:00 noon

But to all who received him, who be-
lieved in his name, he gave power to
become children of God, who were
born, not of blood or of the will of the
flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

John 1:12-13

In-Person Sunday Morning

Attendance:

07-23-23: 175

07-30-23: 150

In-Person Sunday School

Attendance:

07-23-23: 68

07-30-23: 75

Total Online Worship Reach

07-23-23: 304

07-30-23: 295

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167 E. Broad St., Ozark, AL 36360-0583
Return Service Requested

August 4- August 17, 2023

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Summer Revival

**Featuring
Bishop Lawson Bryan**



**SUNDAY
AUGUST 6
10:00am & 6:00 pm**

**MONDAY
AUGUST 7
6:00 pm**

**TUESDAY
AUGUST 8
6:00 pm**

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Prayer Concerns

Dr. Jim Pollard, Shirley Miller, Patti Williams, Lottie Brauer, Joey Thrower, Stephanie Thomas Francher, Kathryne Harper Lancaster, Jan Fuqua, Rhonda Kale, Oliver Kingsley, Jack DeLoney, Anne Butler, Betty Gilland, Martha Overstreet, Larry Pittman, Sherryl Baggett, Judge Ben McLaughlin, Joe and Dot Adams, Evan Renfroe, Jennifer Kirkland, John McGee, Ethan and Jason Gentry, Aaron Andrews, Roger Habburey, Bethene and Earl Childree, Debbie Powell, Joyce Esslinger, Charlotte Lisenby, Jan Foshee, Charles Beverly, Grace and Lewis Mitchell, Charlie Breedlove, Melissa Breedlove, Betty Borer, Beverly Raley, Roberta Segers, Carol Heath, Helen Parsons, Martha Dan Thompson, Sam Keys

Nursing Home Residents: Virginia Hess, Carroll Skinner

Assisted Living Residents: Suzy Harris, Jean Beverly

Please contact the office when you wish to be removed from the Prayer List.

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the Carrington family on the loss of Grady Carrington

Revival

We are privileged to welcome Bishop Lawson Bryan, who will be preaching at our revival to be held in the Sanctuary at 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 6, at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 7, and at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 8. Please plan to join us for a congregational lunch in the FLC, immediately following the 10:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, August 6.

Communion Sunday

Since our summer revival begins on August 6, we will have our monthly communion on Sunday August 13.

Bible Study

Please join us on Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for Bible Study. We will be continuing the study on *"Life Lessons from Acts,"* by Max Lucado. This series brings the Bible to life in 12 lessons filled with intriguing questions, inspirational stories, and poignant reflections to take you deeper into God's Word.

Nominations Committee Meeting

On August 10, the Nominations Committee will meet at 12:00 noon at the Commercial Bank.

Stewardship

On August 13, we will begin our Stewardship study entitled *"A Disciple's Path,"* during Sunday school. Jason and Melanie will also be preaching a series on this book. This will continue through September 17, which will be Commitment Sunday. On Commitment Sunday we will bring our pledges and place them on the altar as our spiritual act of worship for our upcoming year's annual budget.

SPRC Meeting

The SPRC will meet on August 14 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 231.

Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees will meet on August 15 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 231.

Souper Day

Ministry Volunteers:

Our Souper Day food pantry needs to be replenished continually, and we can always use extra volunteers to help pack and deliver meals on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. Additionally, if you are aware of someone who should be included in this ministry, please contact the church office.

There are three ways you can choose to serve:

- (1) Food—Bring food in single-serve containers and place in the freezer. There will be forms available for you to fill out with the name of the dish, warming directions, and your name to be attached to each of the containers. Fruit, snack items, bread, and desserts are also welcome.
- (2) Packing—Arrive at 10:00 a.m. in the FLC Kitchen to help pack bags to be delivered.
- (3) Delivery—Bags are to be delivered after they have been packed. Any help is appreciated with the delivery of the Souper Day bags.

The next Souper Day meeting will be **August 15**. Thank you for supporting the Souper Day ministry!

Sunday Morning Nursery Opportunity

First Ozark United Methodist Church has a paid nursery worker position available, starting August 13. The hours will be 8:30 – 11:15 a.m. until September 3 and 8:15 – 12:15 a.m. when we return to our regular worship schedule. Please call Melena at 334-774-2569 during regular business hours for more information.

Grief Support Group

Our next Grief Group will be meeting on Monday, August 14, at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will continue the study entitled “Getting to the Other Side of Grief, Overcoming the Loss of a Spouse,” by Susan J. Zonnebelt-Smeenge, Ed.D. & Robert C. De Vries, D.Min., Ph.D.

Memorials and Honorariums

Memorials

Christine Adams Scholarship Fund in Memory of:

Grady Carrington by Mr. & Mrs. Joe W. Adams

Communion Fund in Memory of:

Grady Carrington by Mr. & Mrs. Carl Hess

General Fund in Memory of:

Dr. Charles Smith by Mr. & Mrs. Oliver Kingsley

Grady Carrington by Mrs. Jean Beverly

Grady Carrington by Mrs. Sue Ellen Mosley

Kingsley CLC Building Fund in Memory of:

Grady Carrington by Mr. & Mrs. Dick Jordan

Grady Carrington by Mrs. Mary Flurer

Grady Carrington by Mr. & Mrs. Jamie Smith

Grady Carrington by Mr. & Mrs. Rob Enyeart

Billy Jordan and Daniel Woodham by Mrs. Robin Wyatt

Memorials Continued...

Vivian B. Adams Scholarship Fund in Memory of:

Grady Carrington by Mr. & Mrs. Bill Hull

Honorariums

Kingsley CLC Building Fund in Honor of:

Abbie Dunn, Ivy Sanders, Frank & Martha Phillips, Terah Shrout, Brooklyn Head, Mike Porterfield, Wayne & Donna Eldridge, Kate Gresco, Skip Harris, Carol Hobach, Sallie Lisenby, Bobbie McLauchlin, and Nigel Wells by Mrs. Lynn Carrington





FIRST MESSENGER

— OZARK —

Ushers and Greeters (Aug)

10:00: Andy Lewis, Sammy Judah

Online Sermons

Catch up on any sermon you might have missed or want to listen to again! Sermons from previous Sundays can be found and listened to on our website. You can also subscribe to our sermon podcast on Apple Podcasts, Google Podcasts, iHeart Radio, Amazon Music, or Spotify. Sermons will be posted weekly.

If you have any questions or trouble accessing the sermons, please contact Caitlyn Cummings by call or text at 334-589-0421 or by email at caitlyn.r.cummings@outlook.com

Organized Mass Chaos

Organized Mass Chaos is back! All children are invited to join us Sunday evening, August 13, from 5:00 until 6:30 p.m. for an evening of messy fun. Please wear clothing that can get dirty and potentially thrown away, bring a towel, and prepare for lots of fun. Parents, be warned, your child may come home covered in chocolate sauce, shaving cream, or toothpaste. The kids enjoy this evening so much, and we are glad to be able to participate in OMC this year.

Kids, have you seen our John Wesley doll hiding around the church? Find John Wesley each week and receive a prize!

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Birthdays

August 4 - August 17

8/4: Andy Lewis, Margie McGahagin

8/6: Megan DiFilippo

8/7: Bob Bunting

8/8: Cheryl Brown, Barry Cohen

8/9: Judy Holman

8/12: Frank Carroll

8/14: Nancy Steffen

8/15: Mitch Mitchell

8/16: Evan Bolton

Counting Teams

08/06: Team 4

08/13: Team 5

Evening Chapel Schedule

08/06: Summer Revival (Sanctuary—6:00 p.m.)

08/13: Evening Worship (Chapel— 5:00 p.m.)

Ministry Minute: Tuesday and Thursday mornings - around 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Preview: Friday mornings at 9:30 a.m.

(Can be viewed on our Facebook page and YouTube channel—listed below)



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https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCx4L_RyYwXIG_imByqKuW-A/videos

